In the claims:

- 1-21. previously cancelled.
- 22. (previously added) A composition comprising a purified non-naturally-occurring DNA polymerase, or fragments thereof, capable of DNA synthetic activity, said polymerase derived from Thermotoga neapolitana.
- 23. (previously added) A composition comprising a mutant DNA polymerase, said mutant polymerase derived from a Thermotoga neapolitana DNA polymerase.
- 24. (previously added) The composition of Claim 23, wherein said mutant DNA polymerase comprises a mutation that reduces a 3'-5' exonuclease activity of said DNA polymerase.
- 25. (previously added) The composition of Claim 23, wherein said mutant DNA polymerase comprises a mutation that reduces a 5'-3' exonuclease activity of said DNA polymerase.
- 26. (previously added) The composition of Claim 23, wherein said mutant DNA polymerase comprises a mutation resulting in said DNA polymerase having reduced discrimination against dideoxynucleotides.
- 27. (previously added) The mutant DNA polymerase of Claim 23, wherein said mutant DNA polymerase comprises one or more amino acid substitutions.
- 28. (previously added) The mutant DNA polymerase of Claim 23, wherein said mutant DNA polymerase comprises one or more amino acid deletions.
- 29. (presently amended) The composition of Claim 23, wherein said mutant <u>DNA</u> polymerase is devoid of an N-terminal 5'-3' exonuclease domain.

- 30. (presently amended) The composition of Claim 23, wherein said mutant <u>DNA</u> polymerase is devoid of the 283 N-terminal amino acids of native Thermotoga neapolitana DNA polymerase.
 - 31. (presently cancelled)
 - 32. (presently cancelled)
 - 33. (presently cancelled)
 - 34. (presently cancelled)
 - 35. (presently cancelled)
 - 36. (presently cancelled)
 - 37. (presently cancelled)
 - 38. (presently cancelled)
 - 39. (presently cancelled)
- 40. (previously added) A mutant Thermotoga neapolitana DNA polymerase having a mutation that substantially reduces or eliminates 3'-5' exonuclease activity of said polymerase, wherein said mutation is in the 3'-5' exonuclease domain of said polymerase, and further wherein said mutant Thermotoga neapolitana DNA polymerase is a Pol I-type DNA polymerase.
- 41. (previously added) An isolated DNA molecule comprising a DNA sequence encoding a mutant Thermotoga neapolitana DNA polymerase having a

mutation that substantially reduces or eliminates 3'-5' exonuclease activity of said polymerase, wherein said mutation is in the 3'-5' exonuclease domain of said polymerase, and further wherein said mutant Thermotoga neapolitana DNA polymerase is a Pol I-type DNA polymerase.

- 42. (presently cancelled)
- 43. (presently cancelled)
- 44. (previously added) A mutant Thermotoga neapolitana DNA polymerase having a mutation that substantially reduces or eliminates 5'-3' exonuclease activity of said polymerase, wherein said mutation is in the 5'-3' exonuclease domain of said polymerase, and further wherein said mutant Thermotoga neapolitana DNA polymerase is a Pol I-type DNA polymerase.
 - 45. (presently cancelled)
 - 46. (presently cancelled)
 - 47. (presently cancelled)